

**MASSACHUSETTS - DISTRICT 4****Information based on Congressional Districts of the 106th U.S. Congress, 1997**

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	SMALLEST	LARGEST	MEDIAN OF COUNTIES
<b>Farms</b>			
Number	185	732	543
Acreage	9,869	73,418	33,946
Average size (acres)	53	100	63
Median size (acres)	16	34	25
<b>Estimated market value average per farm</b>			
Land/buildings (dollars)	456,486	694,704	538,560
Machinery/equip (dollars)	30,941	60,545	38,000
<b>Cropland (acres)</b>			
Total	3,856	20,665	16,426
Harvested	2,763	17,573	12,569
Irrigated	333	12,182	1,775
<b>Agricultural products sold - market value</b>			
(\$1,000)	8,266	122,687	45,837
(dollars avg. per farm)	44,680	167,605	84,933
<b>Agricultural sales - Net cash return per farm</b>			
(dollars average)	7,974	61,143	31,074
<b>Livestock inventory (number)</b>			
Cattle and calves	901	8,032	2,348
Beef cows	205	937	391
Milk cows	310	3,668	913
Hogs and pigs	1,011	4,504	2,781
Sheep and lambs	491	885	602
Layers 13 wks or/older	1,210	10,706	4,190
Broilers and chicken (sold)	138	1,095	617
<b>Harvested commodities (acres)</b>			
Corn, grain or seed	0	394	71
Corn, silage or green chop	576	2,795	1,737
Sorghum, grain or seed	N	N	0
Wheat	N	N	0
Barley	N	N	0
Oats	N	N	0
Rice	N	N	0

Sunflower seed	N	N	0
Cotton	N	N	0
Tobacco	N	N	0
Soybeans	N	N	0
Dry edible beans, excl limas	N	N	0
Potatoes, excl sweetpotatoes	3	27	10
Sugar beets for sugar	N	N	0
Sugarcane for sugar	N	N	0
Peanuts for nuts	N	N	0
Hay-alfalfa	1,884	7,119	5,073

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<b>Vegetables</b>			
Number of farms	40	139	81
Acreage	508	2,357	1,496
<b>Orchards</b>			
Number of farms	10	56	34
Acreage	86	902	231

#### Abbreviations/footnotes:

N represents zero.

0 represents an insignificant amount.

D-Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.

Source: USDA, NASS, 1997 Census of Agriculture